



MOCK PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION





Mock Presidential Election

The 2016 Presidential election in November gives us an opportunity for students to understand, at an early age, the process of electing a candidate. We invite your school to participate in the Travis Countywide Mock Presidential Election on October 4, 2016. In this mock election the students will actually vote on the candidate of their choice.

Participation is easy by following the guidelines attached. We will provide you with the tools you need and the support through the two step process of registration and balloting. We have included a step by step timeline so that your experience will be rewarding. The results will be aggregated with all other participating schools. The results will be reported on Access TV.

Please visit our website <u>www.traviscountytax.org</u> for more information.

The First Vote Team

"This right to vote is the basic right without which all others are meaningless"

President Lyndon B. Johnson



2016 Mock Presidential Election Registration Form

Welcome to the 2016 Mock Presidential Election. This mock election is being organized and conducted in Travis County on **October 4th**. Participation will be open to all ISD's and school grades in Travis County. If your school is interested in participating please complete the form and submit it to the Travis County Voter Registration Division.

Name of School		School Population
Address		
Contact Person	Title	Phone
Email Address		
Principal		
Will the whole school be allowe	d to participate? Y N	If not which grade (s):
Questions or Concerns		

The Results from the Mock Election will be submitted and posted at a Central Counting Center at AISD.



Mock Presidential Election 2016 October 4, 2016

Travis County is committed to ensuring the participation of every eligible voter in Travis County in every election. It is important for young people to learn early the importance of voting—holding mock elections can help instill the importance of voting in children.

Voter Registration

September 1

Choose a Team to conduct Voter Registration—students, families and teachers can assist in the voter registration process.

You will register students to vote and provide them with mock voter registration cards. Just as eligible voters must present a valid ID to be able to vote, students will be instructed to present their voter registration card at the polls to vote.

September 6

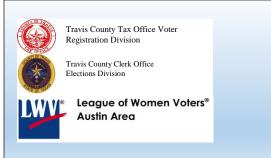
Create voter registration card and voter certificate—template can be downloaded from TravisCountyTax.org (Voters Tab)





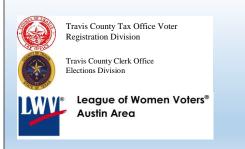






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September 12

Determine polling/vote center locations in the school

- You may have a separate location for each precinct.
- Vote Center- Multiple booths set up for voting
- Large Hallway
- Other Designated Private Area
- Cafeteria
- Theatre
- Gym

Select hours the polling/vote center locations will be open.

- Elementary 7:45- 2:45 PM
- Middle & Junior High 8:30 3:30 PM
- High School 9 4:00 PM











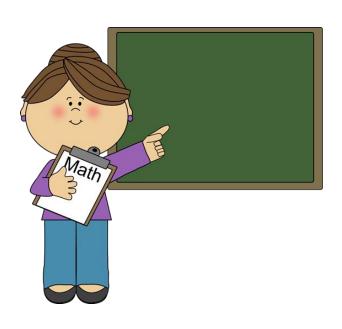
By September 15

Design Precincts—You can design precincts in a variety of ways:

- Alphabetically; A-D, E-H, I-L, M-P, Q-T, U-Z
- Numerically: By grade or Home room number
- By Teacher

Create Voting Registration list (list of students eligible to vote). It can be created:

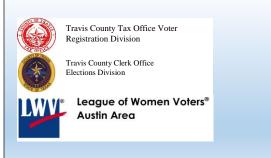
- Alphabetically,
- Student ID number, or
- Classroom











September 19-23

Conduct Voter Registration

- Select a week and set aside a specific day of registration for each grade.
- Students can be registered in a central area or by classroom. Provide each child with a registration card to fill out.
- Issue voter certificates to each student after they complete the registration card. Explain that they will have to present the certificate when they vote.

Provide students with information about voting

location.



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September 22-30 Solicit Election Day volunteers to work the polls.

- ID or Voter Registration card Checker (Multiple people)
- Ballot Disperser
- Vote Station Navigator
- Man the Ballot Box
- Give "I Voted Sticker" when exiting

Create posters to remind students of Election Day.













September 22-30

Create Ballot Boxes

- Boxes can be created by Art students for each polling location.
- You may need more than one box depending on the number of students voting.
- All voted ballots must be kept secured while being transferred
- Ballots will be transferred to the Central Counting Station in these boxes accompanied by at least two people.

Create name tags for Poll workers





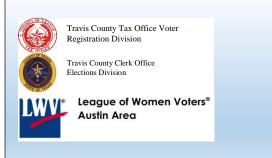








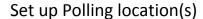




Election Day Preparation

October 3

Remind students that election day is October 4 and that they will need their official Voter ID to participate in the election.



- Signs to designate polling location
- Tables, chairs for election workers
- Voting stations for the students,



- Pencils and Ballots
- Ballot boxes (per candidate)
- Student Registration list
- Designated Central Counting station





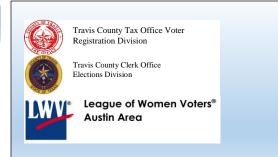
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Election Day

October 4 2016

Post volunteer schedule

Greet Poll workers; provide them with special nametag. Explain the various jobs—Voter ID checking, providing the ballot, handling the ballot after voting (ensuring students put the ballot in the box), providing a sticker.

October 4th

Central Counting – designate a secured area where all voted ballots are counted

- All voted ballots must be kept secured while being transferred
- Ballots will be transferred to the Central Counting Station in these boxes accompanied by at least two people
- You can use students or teachers to count the voted ballots.
- You should have a Tabulation Supervisor to verify all counts before reporting.
- Counts will be reported to the results center which will be operated by
- AISD
- Travis County GIS
- Annette Strauss Center







Day 0 Thursday, March 10th				
Pits open	6:00 PM			
Pits close	10:00 PM			
Day 1 Friday, March 11th				
Pits open	8:00 AM			
Opening ceremonies	10:30 AM			
Matches begin	11:00 AM			
Lunch begins	1:00 PM			
Lunch ends / Resume matches	2:00 PM			
Matches end	7:00 PM			
Pits Close	8:00 PM			
Day 2 Saturday, March 12th				
Pits open	8:00 AM			
Opening ceremonies	9:00 AM			
Matches begin	9:30 AM			
Alliance Selections	12:30 PM			
Lunch begins	1:00 PM			
Lunch ends / Elimination rounds begin	2:00 PM			
Elimination rounds end				
Awards	5:00 PM			
Pits close	6:30 PM			



Definition of Elections Terms

Polling Locations-Where you go to vote.

Poll Worker – Worker to man polling location

Student Regl- List of students who registered

Ballot Box- Where voted Ballots are held at the polling locations

Central Counting Station- Place where all ballots are brought to be counted

Reporting Result to AISD GIS – Where all counted ballots are reported

Tabulation Supervisor- Report votes for school final count to AISD

Roles for the Polling Location

ID or Voter Registration Check – Workers to check the voter's id or voter registration card before they receive a ballot.

Ballot Disperser – worker to give selected ballot to voter.

Vote Station- Designated voting locations.

Man Ballot Box- Worker to sit at the ballot boxes to help direct voters.

Give "I Voted Sticker" - Worker to give sticker as voter exits the voting poll.



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